

Coronavirus/COVID-19 Update: LA County Extends "Safer at Home" Order; Monterey Park Tennis and Pickleball Courts Reopen May 16 with Restrictions

Monterey Park, Calif. - May 15, 2020 - The LA County Department of Public Health has extended the "Safer at Home" Order and low-risk businesses, select recreational amenities and beaches can reopen. All businesses that are permitted to open (bookstores, clothing stores, florists, music stores, sporting goods stores, toy stores and car dealership showrooms) under the revised health order must practice physical distancing and adhere to infection control guidelines. Please note that specific higher-risk businesses remain closed.

As a reminder, the COVID-19 pandemic is not over and public/private gatherings of any number of people occurring outside a single household or living unit remain prohibited. According to the LA County Public Health Department, "the best community and individual defense against COVID-19 is to wash your hands frequently, avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands, avoid being around sick people, practice physical distancing, especially by staying at home, and wear a face covering when out in the public procuring or providing essential services." The City of Monterey Park urges residents to continue to abide by the Safer at Home order and to only leave home for essential trips as we continue on the road to recovery.

Tennis and Pickleball Courts Reopen May 16 with Restrictions

On Saturday, May 16, 2020, the City of Monterey Park will reopen tennis and pickleball courts. The city is opening these amenities with strict health guidelines provided by the LA County Public Health Department in order to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. The city will continue to assess daily operations and safety guidelines and will make modifications as needed.

Specific restrictions and safety guidelines required at the tennis and pickleball courts as directed by the LA County Health Officer Order include:

- Physical distancing of six feet must be maintained at all times.
- Only singles play will be permitted.
- Each participant must bring their own equipment with their initials on each ball. Participants will only be permitted to handle their own pickleball and tennis balls.
- Participants will be required to wear face covering at all times except during play.
- Bring water and hand sanitizer or disinfecting wipes to wash and sanitize hands frequently.
- A maximum of one-hour play will be allowed when others are waiting.
- Failure to follow these regulations may result in court closure.

The following sites will be reopened under the provided restrictions and safety guidelines:

- Barnes Park, 350 S. McPherrin Ave. two tennis courts
- Garvey Ranch Park, 781 S. Orange Ave two tennis courts
- George Elder Park, 1950 Wilcox Ave. four tennis courts
- Highlands Park, 400 Casuda Canyon Dr. two tennis courts
- Sequoia Park, 750 Ridgecrest St. two tennis courts
- Sierra Vista Park, 311 N. Rural Dr. one pickleball court
- Sunnyslopes Park, 1599 Sunnyslope Dr. two tennis courts

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